



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

David Walkingstick, Chair

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Monday, October 12, 2015

4:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Walkingstick called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Crittenden gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 17 - Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis ; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr. ; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Victoria Vazquez; Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan Warner ; Dick Lay; David Walkingstick and Keith Austin

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the September 14th regular session minutes. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Cherokee Nation Foundation - Janice Randall

Ms. Randall offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Walkingstick inquired if the Foundation was set up as a 501c3. He also inquired as to how much in outside funds are raised. Discussion was held on how to get the word out to schools and junior achievement.

Executive Director's Report - Ron Etheridge

Mr. Etheridge offered to answer questions from the report provided. Councilor Vazquez inquired how long the language course is scheduled in Vinita. She also

inquired how well those are attended.

Head Start - Verna Thompson

Ms. Thompson offered to answer any questions from the report. She also invited everyone to the Fall Festival in the Children's Village on October 23rd. She also reminded the Council of Thanksgiving dinner at the Head Start on the 16th of November. Ms. Thompson gave appreciation to Councilor Taylor for volunteering for foot patrol in Salina.

Sequoyah High School - Leroy Qualls

Mr. Qualls gave an update on the report provided and offered to answer questions. He announced their college and career day is scheduled for October 21st. Chair Walkingstick inquired about the status of the application for the new school.

Talking Leaves Job Corp/Career Services/Voc. Ed - Diane Kelley

Ms. Kelley reported she and others met with OSU Tulsa in regard to their hospitality and food service. This Thursday in Sallisaw will be the graduation for the culinary program. A new culinary class will start next Monday in Owasso at the Career Tech Campus. She reported the 5th class for welding started today. She announced they are working with Pam Trucking from Tontitown, Arkansas to put truck drivers to work. She reported Talking Leaves Job Corp is #63 in the nation out of 125. Ms. Kelley stated they are preparing for NCAI next week. She offered to answer questions. Councilor Taylor gave appreciation to Ms. Kelley for their participation in the chili cook off.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hargis moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 4:52 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Kelley

Jennifer Pigeon

Ron Etheridge

Leroy Qualls

Verna Thompson

Canaan Duncan

Chuck Hoskin Jr.

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold

Teddy Snell

Janice Randall

